

Submitting a Medicare Part B Crossover Claim

This informational flier has been created to assist MassHealth providers who bill paper Medicare Part B crossover claims to MassHealth. The first page contains a facsimile of a Medicare explanation of Medicare benefits (EOMB). The second page shows a copy of a HCFA-1500 form, along with fields that are required when submitting a paper claim to MassHealth after Medicare.

What is a Medicare/MassHealth Crossover Claim?

If Medicare has made a payment or applied monies to the coinsurance or deductible for a MassHealth member, then the claim becomes a MassHealth "crossover" claim. The Medicare Part B carrier may transmit these claims electronically to MassHealth, or the provider may manually submit a HCFA-1500 form with a Medicare EOMB. Paper claims are accepted and processed; however, MassHealth strongly urges providers to have their claims cross from Medicare to MassHealth electronically. Providers should submit paper only as a last resort, or if they are submitting a crossover adjustment. Once the claim is received from either Medicare or the provider, there is a 40-60 day processing time before your claim appears on a MassHealth remittance advice (RA). Submitting a paper "tracer" claim will **not** expedite payment. Please reconcile your RAs to ensure that your claims have been processed.

Part 1. The Explanation of Medicare Benefits

The EOMB facsimile below contains highlighted areas with specific billing information. Please refer to the reverse side of this page for details.

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The items below correspond to the highlighted sections on the front side of this page.

- 1. **Medicare Pay-to-Provider Number.** Your unique Medicare pay-to provider number **must** be on your MassHealth provider file in order for your claims to process, either electronically or on paper. The Medicare pay-to-provider number must be preprinted on the top of the EOMB form and should not be cut off, crossed out, or written over with a different Medicare provider number. If your Medicare provider number is not on the MassHealth provider file, the claims will never appear on a MassHealth RA. To update your Medicare/MassHealth provider file, please contact MassHealth Provider Enrollment and Credentialing using the contact information at the bottom of this page.
- 2. **Format** (**Perf Prov, Serv Date, etc.**). For claims submitted on paper, MassHealth currently accepts original EOMBs as well as electronically downloaded EOMBs. Electronic EOMBs must resemble the format of a paper EOMB. Unacceptable EOMBs will be returned to the provider with a letter.
- 3. **Servicing Medicare Provider Number.** All Medicare provider numbers must have a corresponding MassHealth provider number. To update your MassHealth provider file, please contact MassHealth Provider Enrollment and Credentialing.
- 4. **MA Codes.** These are informative codes used by Medicare. Medicare will inform the provider if the claim has "crossed over" to MassHealth by using "MA-07." Before submitting a paper claim, please review your EOMBs for these "MA" codes. If Medicare has indicated that your claim has crossed over electronically, your claim will appear on a MassHealth remittance advice between 40-60 days from the date of the EOMB.
- Medicare Denied Claims. If Medicare denies a claim, the claim will appear on your MassHealth remittance advice denied for error 036, "Medicare denied original claim." Please refer to your MassHealth provider manual for information about billing claims that were denied by Medicare. Also, if Medicare has paid your claim 100%, then MassHealth has zero liability. These claims will deny on a MassHealth remittance advice for error 035, "Medicare paid 100% of claim." Do not resubmit these claims to MassHealth.
- 6. Same as above.
- 7. **Member RID.** Include the member's 10-digit MassHealth ID on the EOMB, and always circle the patient information that corresponds to the HCFA-1500. Do **not** use a highlighting marker.

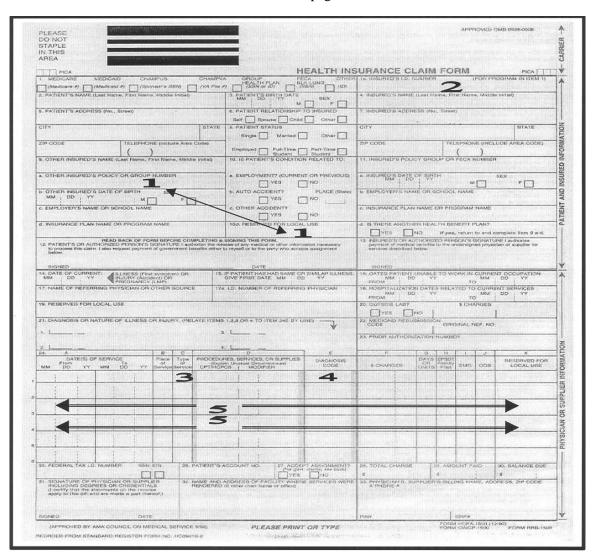
If you require billing assistance or need to update your MassHealth provider file, contact:

MassHealth Customer Service Provider Enrollment and Credentialing P.O. Box 9118 Hingham, MA 02043 1-800-841-2900 providersupport@mahealth.net

Part 2. The HCFA-1500 Form

While HCFA-1500 forms are generally considered universal medical claim forms, MassHealth will accept a HCFA-1500 form **only** as part of a Medicare/MassHealth crossover claim. This means that in order to be processed, a HCFA-1500 form **must** have an EOMB attached to it. HCFA-1500 forms submitted with no attachments or with a third-party liability (TPL) attachment from another insurance company will be returned to the provider.

A paper HCFA-1500 form should be submitted to MassHealth exactly the way you submitted it to Medicare, with minor additions. The form below contains highlighted areas with specific billing information pertinent to MassHealth. Please refer to the reverse side of this page for details.



The items below correspond to the numbered areas on the front side of this page.

- 1. **Fields 9a and 10d.** The member's MassHealth 10-digit RID number is acceptable in either one of these fields. If the RID already exists in field 10d, you may leave it in that location.
- 2. **Field la.** The member's Medicare number should remain in this field.
- 3. **Field 24C.** This field must be filled with the Medicare type-of-service code. Failure to do this will result in MassHealth error 951, "Invalid Type of Service."
- 4. **Field 24E.** Please record the member's diagnosis code in this field. Do not use a reference number like 1, 2, or 3.
- 5. **Multiple Claim Lines.** Each "claim total" on the EOMB is considered a separate claim, and should be submitted with its own matching HCFA-1500 form. Do not combine two or more claim totals on a single HCFA-1500 form.

All of the other information on the HCFA-1500 form should remain the same as when it was submitted to Medicare. If the detail has been denied by Medicare, it must be crossed out on the HCFA-1500 form and EOMB.

Common Errors and Resolutions

The most common crossover billing errors are listed below. These error codes will appear on your MassHealth remittance advice, and can be found in the billing instructions in Subchapter 5 of your MassHealth provider manual.

- **10- "Invalid Recipient ID number."** Make sure that you have indicated the member's MassHealth 10-digit ID number in **one** of the following places:
 - written on the EOMB manually;
 - in Field 9a on the HCFA-1500 form; or
 - in Field l0d on the HCFA-1500 form.
- **"Medicare Paid 100% of Claim."** There is no further reimbursement for this claim. If Medicare has paid 100% of the claim, MassHealth has zero liability.
- **"Medicare Denied Original Claim."** Medicare has denied your claim. Please rebill to Medicare if necessary, and refer to the MassHealth billing instructions for information about claims submission to MassHealth after Medicare has denied the claim.
- **"Duplicate Claim."** Your claim has been paid on a previous MassHealth RA. Always reconcile your RAs before billing a "tracer" or duplicate claim.
- **"Invalid Type of Service."** Check to see if you included the correct Medicare type of service in Field number 24C. If you submit your claims electronically, they will not deny for error 951.

Completed Crossover Claims should be submitted to:

MassHealth Attn: Crossovers P.O. Box 9118 Hingham, MA 02043